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Title: Abstract Syntax Notation
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Language Converter
Framework For Network
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Dear Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Office Action of March 25, 2004, to further highlight why the application is in condition for allowance.

Please amend the case as listed below.